

Wuthering Heights Study Guide Questions

Chapters 5-8

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Remember, these questions are intended to guide and aid your reading, not to be an excessive burden. Feel free to respond in brief, with fragments or bullet points.

Chapter 5

1. What do we learn of Catherine as a young girl in this chapter?
2. What is Nelly's opinion of Joseph?
3. How does Bronte portray the idea of good vs. evil in this chapter?

Chapter 6

1. Explain the circumstances that encourage Heathcliff and Catherine to grow even closer in this chapter. Explain their relationship.
2. How are the Linton children contrasted with Catherine and Heathcliff?
3. Nelly is Heathcliff's confidante in this chapter. Why is this an important narrative device in the novel?

Chapter 7

1. How does Catherine's stay at the Grange affected her relationship with Heathcliff?
2. Do the reader and Nelly differ in their sympathy for Heathcliff? If so, why?
3. What impression of Edgar Linton is conveyed in this chapter?
4. Is Nelly accurate in her description of Catherine as "an unfeeling child... so selfish"? Why do you say so?
5. What is the effect at the end of this chapter of reverting back to Lockwood's narrative?

Chapter 8

1. Hindley's treatment of Heathcliff "was enough to make a fiend of a saint." Can his turning out as he did be explained or justified?
2. Do you as a reader have any sympathy for Hindley? Why or why not?
3. Explain in your own words how Edgar and Heathcliff are different.